

Tender awarded for Phase 1 of Acton Community Park

Johnson Maintenance Ltd. of Milton has been awarded to the tender to construct the first phase of the Acton Community Sports Park.

Council approved the contract at Monday's meeting.

Johnson was the lowest bid of \$583,918.

The 24.6-acre Sports Park is located directly east of the Acton Arena and Community Centre. Eight-and-a-half acres will be developed for sports, while the rest will remain as natural open space. Phase 1 consists of a soccer field with lighting and parking.

The Town budgeted \$600,000 for the project, including \$100,000 contribution from the Acton Soccer Club.

The Ministry of Transportation is requiring the Town install 70 ft. light standards rather than the usual 53-ft. height, to reduce light spillage onto Hwy. 7. The extra height will cost

\$24,000.

Phase 2 of the Sports Park is another soccer field.

Phase 2 of the Tanners Drive Park, north of the Acton Arena and the Three Musketeers Skate Park, will be done at the same time- grading, sodding, irrigation, landscaping and soccer goals, benches etc.

The park was included after it decided that it would be cheaper to do the two parks at the same time. Johnson will complete the work for \$51,186, whereas previous tenders the same work had ranged from \$73,000 to \$161,000.

The park was unfunded in the 2007 budget, so the money will come from the Development Charges Reserve Fund and the Capital Financing Reserve Fund.

The Three Musketeers Skate Park is expected to be completed this summer.

Acton students, officers to face off

Everyone is invited to come out and watch Halton Police and the students at Acton High School play in their third annual hockey challenge Thursday (March 29) at Acton Arena.

After two close matches in previous years the challenge is now tied at one game each.

The puck will be dropped at 2:15 p.m. sharp by former NHL chief referee and now Halton Hills councillor

Bryan Lewis.

Everyone is welcome to attend. Admission is free, but the teams are accepting donations for charitable groups and ask those would like to bring along, a non-perishable food donation for the Acton Food Bank, a monetary donation for the Salvation Army and/or previously owned hockey equipment for local youth programs.

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